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253; revenue, *nil*; products, millet, oranges, betel-nuts, jack-fruit, pine-apples, chillies, and bay leaves; minerals, lime and coal. 631 651

These statistics give the following totals for the nineteen Khási States or Democracies—Population, 78,992; revenue, Rs. 49,856. 8, or £4985, 13s., of which Rs. 22,732. 8, or £2273, 5s., is derived from lime quarries. The aggregate area of these States is elsewhere returned at 3997 square miles. 433

SUBDIVISIONAL ADMINISTRATION.—The twenty-five fiscal divisions which constitute the Jaintia Hills are regarded as forming a separate Subdivision, under the charge of an Assistant-Commissioner, whose headquarters are at the village of Jowái. This Subdivision dates from 1869, for which year the separate cost of administration is returned at £1091. The following statistics, referring only to the Jáintiá Hills, are taken from the Report of the Assistant-Commissioner for 1876-77; for the rest, all information is included in the preceding sections of this Statistical Account, which apply generally to the whole District of the Khási and Jáintiá Hills. In the year 1876-77 the total revenue of the Jowái Subdivision amounted to Rs. 12,713, or £127, 6s., of which Rs. 10,634 was derived from the house tax. The total value of the exports from the Subdivision was estimated at Rs. 197,575, or £19,757, 10s., including 16,000 *maunds* of raw cotton, valued at Rs. 120,000, and 5490 *maunds* of lac, valued at Rs. 54,900. The total value of the imports was estimated at Rs. 345,600, or £34,560, chiefly cotton and woollen cloth from Bengal, valued at Rs. 81,000; silk cloth from Assam, Rs. 25,000; 15,000 *maunds* of rice, value Rs. 60,000; 6229 bads of dried fish, value Rs. 35,344; 5287 *maunds* of salt, value Rs. 33,009; 609 *maunds* of tobacco, value Rs. 44,872. These figures are compiled from reports submitted by the police stationed at Jarain, on the Jáintiápur road, and from information collected from the chief traders of Jowái. They show an apparent balance of trade against the Subdivision amounting to Rs. 148,025, or £14,802, 10s. The population of Jowái and the surrounding villages is 4302 souls. 630 648 651

MEDICAL ASPECTS—METEOROLOGY.—The climate of the Khási and Jáintiá Hills is mild and equable. At Shillong the thermometer within doors ranges from about 58° in December to 70° or 75° in the hottest months. Out of doors the dry bulb varies between about 38° in the cold weather and 80° in May and June. A temperature higher than 80° is seldom recorded. During the three years ending 132